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Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

I am writing you today to voice my opinion on Microsoft. I am a Microsoft supporter, and I support the settlement that was reached in November. This settlement is fair, and I am anxious to see this three-year-long dispute resolved. There are bigger fish to fry at the present time.

The settlement that was reached in November is sufficient to deal with the issues of this lawsuit. Microsoft has agreed to carry out all provisions in this agreement. Under this agreement, Microsoft must grant computer makers the right to configure Windows to promote non-Microsoft software programs that compete with programs included within Windows. Microsoft also agreed to license its Windows operating system to the 20 major computer makers for an identical price. This settlement will benefit the entire technology industry.

I urge you to support this settlement. This settlement will serve in the best public interest. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Karen Thompson